## Doctors Favor Government Regulation for Prevention of Disease

### **NEGRO PRESENTS SERIOUS** PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEM

ction on Tuberculosis Discusses Forms of National and State Work.

MORTALITY FROM PELLAGRA

peakers Favor Creation of Cabinet Position as Secretary of Public Health for Co-Operation With State and Local Agencies.

revention and cure of tuberculosis, various treatments now in tentative use and the relation of the negro to the health problem of the South were he chief themes of varied and instruc-ive discussion in the symposium on uberculosis held yesterday afternoon in the auditorium of the Jefferson Hotel the section of medicine of the South-

in Medical Association.

Dr. Robert Wilson, Jr., of Charlesn, S. C., in his address on "Some edical Aspects of the American egro," approached his subject with e degree of conservatism, while, at same time, recognizing what has a believed and stated by others that negro is a source of considerable ger, so far as health is concerned, iger, so far as health is concerned, the people of the Southern States. was of the opinion that some depend of hesitancy should be exercised taking for granted everything that is been said as to the relation of hegro to the spread of certain cases, and cautioned his hearers at the subject required further and reacurate study than has yet been sorded it by the medical profession. ate study than has yet been by the medical profession. OF HIGHEST IMPORTANCE

of our conceptions," he said, unproved assumptions. ocially and politically, entering into domestic relations, coming into domestic relations, coming into lact with us in practically every k of life, and it is our clear duty ourselves, as well as to him, to retain if the commonly-accepted epitions and beliefs be true, and to it extent he reacts upon the comitty at large. He is a public health-plem of the highest importance." said that the negro had sowed the is of certain diseases in the South

Conqueror of Bubonic Plague



RUPERT BLUE, Surgeon-General, United States Public Health Service.

among the preventable diseases, and that it causes one-fourth of the deaths He thought that the control of the disease could not be left to minor organizations, but that it needs a comprehensive and definite State policy. He agreed that, as a general proposition, the States were not financially able to bear the burden, and outlined the scheme which has been worked out in his native State. In this scheme all the multiple agencies, political, charitable, social, fraternal and religious are asked to share in the general burden of the war against the retreating line of the greatest enemy Serious monace.

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Dr. Wilson, all three from pele white. Dr. G. M. Cooper, of Clinton, N. C., in a paper on "The Federal Government and Our Tuberculosis Problem," outlined a plan whereby the national government should form a cabinet office of secretary of the public health. Let it rank, he urged, with the Army and let it rank, he urged, with the Army and ich to base on, "they do national Public Health Service, through

### PREVENTION INSTEAD **WEAK MEDICAL SCHOOLS** OF CURE IS KEYNOTE

Great Convention of Southern Physi- Dr. Stuart McGuire Tells of Changes in Modern Medical Educlans Is Welcomed to Richmond.

DISCUSSES SOUTHERN ILLS NUMBER CUT FROM 186 TO 101 CASES SHOULD BE SUPERVISED GORGAS TAKES PART IN DEBATE

Diseases Peculiar to This Climate Long Course Produces High-Grade Are Subject of Special Study on Part of Great Body of Scientists in Session in This City.

Prevention, instead of treatment and

# HAVE QUIT BUSINESS

Men, but Opens Problem as to Supplying Country Practitioners. Value of Specialists Discussed.

In his annual address to the Southpossible cure, and governmental con- ern Medical Association, Dr. Stuart Mctrol of all sanitary measures, with in- Guire, president, said yesterday mornternational regulations to prevent the spread of epidemic disease from one country to the other, were the dominant notes in the session yesterday of the Southern Medical Association.

When the morning session opened there were between 600 and 700 members and associate members registered, and it was said to be one of the largest gatherings the association has had in its existence of eight years.

At the formal opening Dr. Stuart McGuire, president of the association, traced the wonderful progress made in recent years in medical science, and showed how the general standard of practitioner and specialist had been raised by the elimination of weaker schools and by the enhancement of the cuntrance requirements of the schools which are recognized by the profession and its various associations.

VISITING DOCTORS

WELCOMED TO CITY

The convention was called to order at 16 o'clock by Dr. McGuire Newton, chairman of the committee on arrangements, who introduced 'Rev. W. Russell Bowle, D. D., rector of St. Paul's Church. Dr. Bowle delivered the invocation. Lieutenant-Governor J. Taylor Ellyson welcomed the convention on behalf of the State, and Mayor George Ainsile threw wide the gates of the city to the visitors with a characteristic speech of greeting. The well-come on behalf of the local profession and by the elimination of wore to the sixty of the city to the visitors with a characteristic speech of greeting. The well-come on behalf of the local profession was delivered by Dr. McGuire Newton, chairs and the convention on behalf of the local profession and by the elimination of well-defined to the definite of the more rigid entrance tests. The result of a nanovement inaugurated to this end is that in the last ten years the total number of a total number of feather the langest has been reduced from 186 total number of total number of total number of the modern method of teaching, he subject to the said, is seen in the graduate of the medical schools in the linited States has been reduced from 186 total number of total n ternational regulations to prevent the ing that the efficiency of the medical spread of epidemic disease from one profession has been greatly enhanced

on behalf of the State, and Mayor George Alnslie threw wide the gates of the city to the visitors with a characteristic speech of greeting. The welcome on behalf of the local profession was delivered by Dr. Joseph A. White, and Dr. Frank A. Jones, of Memphis, Tenn., responded for the association Among other invitations extended to the association was one from Horace F. Smith, of the Richmond Manufacturers' Exhibit, who asked the visitors of the mecessary time of efficient teachters.

### TRACHOMA PRESENTS DIFFICULT PROBLEM

Dangerous Disease of Eye Widely Section on Surgery Hears Several Prevalent and Is Spreading.

Specialists Want Regulations Re- Proper and Immediate Care of Inquiring Reports on Such Affections to Health Authorities-Brought Into Europe by Napoleon.

Specialists attending the convention of the Southern Medical Association (Can Do for Military Surgery in Times of Peace," by Dr. Joseph C. Bloodgood, Otology and Laryngology were of the

## HOLD ANNUAL SESSION

Dr. Mary Latham, of Highlands, North Carolina, Is Elected President. Annual Dinner To-Night.

### **BLOODGCOD DISCUSSES** TREATMENT OF WOUNDED

Interesting Military Papers.

jured on Field of Battle Essential to Their Welfare-Transportation Presents Serious Problems.

### How to Peel Off a



